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HONGKONG AGENCY:—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent per Annum on the daily balance.
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" 6 " 4 "
" 3 " 3 "

S. CHOH,
Agent.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1898. [382

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital.....£1,000,000
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HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—
D. Gillies, Esq.

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Chan Kit Shan, Esq.	Kwan Hot Chuen, Esq.

Chief Manager,
G. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
On Current Account, Daily Balances 2 per Cent. per Annum.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1897. [8

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND$ 8,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS...$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
Hon. J. J. BELL-IRVING,—Chairman.
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Hongkong—T. JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER:
Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARD'NER, Esq.
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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent, per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3½ per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1898. [9

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [10

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP£800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS£800,000
RESERVE FUND£375,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.
" " " 6 " ... 3½ "
" " " 3 " ... 2½ "

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 2nd June, 1897. [31

THE MICASTOS FACTORY.

Mr. C. HOLDSWORTH,
Superintendent at Works,
Sanhwan Road,
Hongkong.

THE GENERAL MANAGERS are prepared to enter into contracts for covering boilers and steam pipes with either Mica or Asbestos Compositions at the following quotations:—
55 cts. per superficial square foot for boilers,
65 " " steam pipes.

Exposed Steam Pipes needing extra wrapping and Canvas and tar dressing will be treated with the above Compositions at $1.05 per superficial square foot.

A Stock of the Compositions is kept ready for sale packed in 6 cwt. casks. Price, for, ton lots $100 per ton F.O.B. or in smaller quantities at $6 per cwt. F.O.B.

All works will be under the personal supervision of Mr. Holdsworth and all orders must be sent through the undersigned.

SHEWAN TOMES, & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1898. [240

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI	*Verona*	C. H. S. Tocque, R.N.R.	About 1st April.....	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	*Socotra*	J. Paine, R.N.R.	About 2nd April.....	Freight only.
LONDON	*Bermuda*	F. C. A. Lyon, R.N.R. ...	About 2nd April ...	Freight or Passage.
YOKOHAMA &c.	*Rosetta*	E. P. Bishop	Daylight 5th April	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the Inland Sea).
LONDON	*Sunda*	S. G. D. Andrews, R.N.R.	About 14th April ...	Freight or Passage.

*(Passing through the Inland Sea).

For Further Particulars apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1898. [5

THE
CLUB HOTEL,
LIMITED.

No. 5-B, BUND, YOKOHAMA.

A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL Centrally situated, well furnished and supplied with excellent Cuisine and Good Wines.

The Company's Steam-launch attends the arrival and departure of all Mail Steamers.

Special attention paid to the Comfort of Visitors.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager,

Yokohama, 1st October, 1897 [36

WE can give nearly 20 per cent. better value by bottling Whisky here, for not only is there a great saving in freight and bottling charges, but it is much improved by the sea voyage. We buy direct from the Distillers, always maintain the quality and give the best value possible Our speciality is

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Try it and if you know anything about Whisky you will be satisfied. Eighteen other brands kept in stock at prices ranging from $7.00 to $18.00.

H. PRICE & CO.,
No. 12, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1898. [20

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Aquarius

TRADE MARK

TELEPHONE 75.

15, Queen's Rd.

A perfect Table Water,
Quarts and Pints;
Unequalled for purity;
All ingredients used the best quality,
Recognised as the cheapest,
Is most suitable for mixing with Wines and Spirits;
Unrivalled and unquestionably the
Safest drinking Water in the World.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
Sole Agents. [15

W. POWELL & CO.

FANCY DRESS SPECIALITIES

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1898. W. POWELL & CO. [17

Intimations.

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY. LIMITED.

SOLE AGENTS IN
HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS,
FOR THE
UNITED ASBESTOS COMPANY, LIMITED, LONDON,
CONTRACTORS TO H.M. GOVERNMENT.
MANUFACTURERS OF THE
Best Qualities of ASBESTOS GOODS and PACKINGS.
HYDRAULIC and SELF LUBRICATING PUMP PACKINGS of all kinds.
"VICTOR" METALLIC BOILER JOINTS.
ASBESTOS SALAMANDER BOILER COVERING COMPOSITION of the best quantities.
ESTIMATES given for every DESCRIPTION of WORK.

SUPERINTENDENT.....THOS. SKINNER.

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1350 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.

A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL adjoining the Tramway Terminus. FINE HEALTHY LOCATION Commanding Magnificent View of the City and Harbour, the Mainland of China, and numerous Islands. Cool southerly breezes in Summer, with perfect protection against the North-East winds in winter.

A Covered Way has been constructed from the Station to the Hotel.

J. MARCESSE,
Chef de Cuisine.

GEO. J. CASANOVA,
Manager.

CITY OFFICE, No. 7, Duddell Street, [28

THE PHARMACY.

HAVE NOW A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF ATKINSON'S PERFUMES AND ARE SOLE MANUFACTURERS OF
WHITE HEATHER BOUQUET.
Sole Agents for VIN PASTEUR the great French Nerve Tonic.
Also Sole Agents for the now well-known JAPANESE TABLE WATER
TANSAN.

FLETCHER & CO.
and
CARMICHAEL & CO.

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JUST LANDED.

NEW AND LARGE STOCK OF LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S

BOOTS AND SHOES

BEST ENGLISH MAKE.

Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 10th February, 1898. [16

CHAMPAGNE.	1 doz. quarts.	2 doz. pints.
G. H. MUMN & Co.	$35.50	$37.50
WHISKY.	**1 doz. bottle.**	
DEWAR'S "IMPERIAL INSTITUTE"	$10.50	
McCREADIE'S "SPECIALLY SELECTED"	10.50	
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LIFE AND STRENGTH

IN EVERY DROP.
Yet nothing intoxicating or harmful. Good, and good only.
Power and suppleness for the Muscles, warmth and richness for the Blood, steadiness for the Nerves, and clearness for the Head, follow the use of

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It seems to contain those subtle principles of VATALITY which elude analysis. Under its influence the HEART beats strongly and regularly, the Fancy plays more freely, the Mind is active and acute, and the capacity for Work and Enjoyment increases.
THIS RARE TONIC-STIMULANT ABATES PAIN, BANISHES FATIGUE, AND HASTENS CONVALESCENCE.
Splendid for the Aged and for Chronic Invalids.

CHAMPAGNE BITTERS.

WATKINS & CO. Apothecaries Hall. [14

DENTISTRY.

DR SUI SANG,
(Lately Practising with Dr. I. SAWATA),
DENTIST,
No. 8, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 9th February, 1898. [52

TO SHIPMASTERS.

ENQUIRE where your FRESH WATER is obtained by the Water Boats; as FOUL WATER is the cause of much sickness on board Ship.

We are the only Water-Boat Company in Hongkong exclusively Supplying FILTERED WATER.

Call Flag "W."

J. W. KEW & Co.,
STEAM WATER-BOAT Co.,
18, Praya Central,
Hongkong, 9th October, 1895. [46

Notice of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned FIRMS have This Day been amalgamated and will in future carry on the business under the Name and Style of SANDER, WIELER & CO.

All Assets and Liabilities of the former firms have been taken over by the new firm.

SANDER & CO.
WIELER & CO.

Office, No. 10, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, 1st March, 1898. [319

NOTICE TO AMERICAN CITIZENS.

AMERICAN CITIZENS residing in the CONSULAR DISTRICT of CANTON, which includes SANSHUI, WUCHOW, MACAO, SWATOW, HOIHOW and PAKHOI, are REQUESTED to REGISTER at the Consulate either personally or by certificate setting forth the date and place of birth and last residence in the United States.

The advantages of registration are obvious and may prove of value in time of need.

There is no fee or charge for registration.

EDWARD BEDLOE,
U.S. CONSUL.

United States Consulate,
CANTON, China, 1st February, 1898. [290

A BALL will be given in honour of
H.R.H. PRINCE HENRY OF PRUSSIA,
by the Civil Community of Honkgong,
ON
TUESDAY, 29th March, 1898.

INTENDING Subscribers are requested to notify the undersigned with as little delay as possible, or sign the List to be found at

1—HONGKONG CLUB.
2—GERMAN CLUB.
3—LUSITANO CLUB.
4—NEW CLUB.
Messrs. KELLY & WALSH.
" LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

DAVID WOOD,
Hon. Secretary,
Invitation Committee.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1898. [428

Insurances.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [18

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } $833,333.33.
EQUAL TO
RESERVE FUND $318,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq. | LO YEUK MOON, Esq.
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1885. [29

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 26th May, 1894. [30

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Monsieur Leon Vincart, Consul for Belgium to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION.

at his residence Elliot Crescent, ROBINSON ROAD
ON
SATURDAY the 26th March 1898.
Commencing at 3 P.M.
A LOT of VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising:—

SILK TAPESTRY and PLUSH DRAWING ROOM SUITE, OVERMANTLES with BEVELLED GLASS, DINING ROOM TABLE, MOROCCO LEATHER COVERED DINING ROOM CHAIRS, SIDEBOARDS, RATTAN TABLES, CHAIRS and other FURNITURE, WARDROBES with and without GLASS, MARBLE TOP TOILET TABLES, WASHING STANDS, TOWELRACKS, SINGLE IRON BEDS with SPRING and HAIR MATTRESSES, SIDETABLES, WRITING DESKS, ENAMELLED WARE, GLASSWARE, CROCKERY, BATHROOM and KITCHEN REQUISITIES, 1 IRON COOKING STOVE, OIL STOVE etc., etc., etc.

ALSO

1 COTTAGE PIANO by KIRCKMANN & Co., LONDON purchased from ROBINSON & Co., expressly manufactured for this CLIMATE and in first class condition.
1 LADY'S PLUSH SEDAN CHAIR.

Catalogues ready on TUESDAY 22nd inst.
On View from THURSDAY, the 24th instant.
TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

PAUL BREWITT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1898. [409

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION.
at the residence of A. Ross Esq. 2 and 3 Cameron Villas, the Peak
ON
WEDNESDAY, the 30th March 1898.
Commencing at 3 P.M.,
the whole of the VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising:—

TAPESTRY and PLUSH DRAWING ROOM SUITE, EASY CHAIRS, CARPETS, RUGS, SOFAS, LADY'S and Gentleman's WRITING DESKS, BOOKCASES, OVERMANTLES, LAMPS, CHAIRS, TABLES, IRON FENDERS, EXTENSION DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARDS, WARDROBES, WASHING STANDS with MARBLE TOPS, TOILET TABLES, BEDSTEADS with SPRING and HAIR MATTRESSES, PICTURES, ORNAMENTS, GLASSWARE, CROCKERY, FLOWERSTANDS, RATTAN FURNITURE, etc., etc., etc.

ALSO

1 COTTAGE PIANO by SCHIEDMAYER & Co.
1 INVALID'S Carrying CHAIR.

Catalogues issued prior to Sale.
On view from MONDAY, 28th March.
TERMS OF SALE—As Customary.

PAUL BREWITT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1898 [422

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

(IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE is hereby given that a SECOND and FINAL RETURN of CAPITAL amounting to $2.75 per Share has been declared in this matter.

Upon delivery of Scrip to the Liquidator for Cancellation at his Office on or after the 21st instant each Shareholder will receive an Order on the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI CORPORATION in full settlement of his Claim against the Company.

Shareholders who have not collected yet the First Return of Capital, amounting to $7.50 per share, declared on the 31st August, 1897, are requested to do so without further delay to enable the final winding-up of this Company.

Hongkong, 8th day of March, 1898.

J. GOOSMANN,
Liquidator.

c/o Messrs. MELCHERS & Co.,
Praya Central. [362

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL.

CITY HALL.

Under the direction of Mr ROBERT BROUGH.
Representative—Mr. HAMILTON.

THIS EVENING.
(THURSDAY), the 24th March, 1898,
Commencing at 9 P.M.

LAST FIVE NIGHTS
OF THE
BROUGH COMEDY COMPANY.

THIS EVENING at 9,
POSITIVELY LAST PRODUCTION OF
"THE SECOND MRS. TANQUERAY"
"THE SECOND MRS. TANQUERAY"
"THE SECOND MRS. TANQUERAY"
By A. W PINERO.

FRIDAY and SATURDAY,
25th and 26th March.
"THE PASSPORT"
"THE PASSPORT"
"THE PASSPORT"
An Original Farcical Comedy, by B. C. STEPHENSON and W. YARDLEY Adapted from Colonel Savage's Celebrated Novel "My Official Wife."

MONDAY, 28th March,
"A PAIR OF SPECTACLES"
By SYDNEY GRUNDY.

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY,
29th and 30th March,
In consequence of Mr. BROUGH having granted the use of the Theatre for the Ball to be given in honour of H.R.H. PRINCE HENRY, there will be no performance on these nights.

THURSDAY, 31st March,
LAST NIGHT OF THE SEASON!
"DANDY DICK"
By A. W. PINERO.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.
DRESS CIRCLE and ORCHESTRA STALLS $3
STALLS $2
PIT $1
Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform Half Price to the Pit only.

Doors open 8.15 P.M. Curtain 9 P.M.
Box Plan now open at the ROBINSON Piano Co's. Warehouse, where seats can be booked (and the Tickets obtained) six nights in advance.
A Late Tram for the Peak will leave each evening fifteen minutes after the termination of the performance.
Hongkong, 21th March, 1898 [310

SCIENTIFIC PALMISTRY.

MRS. JOSEPHA NORTH, PHRENOLOGIST, DISCERNER of CHARACTER; PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE events. ADVICE in BUSINESS, HEALTH & MARRIAGE.
Evening parties and at Homes, attended
CONSULTING HOURS 10 A.M. to 5 P.M
or by appointment.
W. S. GIVEN,
Manager.
HONGKONG HOTEL,
Room No. 134
Hongkong, 19th March, 1898. [410

CRAYON PORTRAITS.

MR. W S GIVEN.

has the pleasure to introduce to the Public of Hongkong his
CRAYON PORTRAITS.
These are drawn from life, or from Photographs of any kind, in every style and made to any size as desired. Samples on view at his studio. No. 58 HONGKONG HOTEL.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1898 [419

GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Gun practice will be carried out by the crew of H.M.S. *Immortalité* from the shore to the Eastward of KOWLOON DOCKYARD across Kowloon Bay towards CHANNEL ROCK, on FRIDAY, the 25th, and MONDAY, the 28th inst.
All ships, junks and other vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the range.
By Command,
T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 24th March, 1898. [430

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW.
THE Company's Steamship
"HAILOONG,"
Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 25th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1898. [432

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
THE Company's Steamship
"SUISANG,"
Captain Geo. Payne, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1898. [433

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship
"HAITAN,"
Captain Bathurst, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 27th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong 24th March, 1898 [434

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
STEAMSHIP "MOGUL,"
FROM PORTLAND OR YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.
THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1898. [X-W 4

To-day's Advertisement.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby informed that at the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held in LONDON recently a final Dividend of 3 per cent. was declared on the Company's Preference Shares, for the six months ending 31st December 1897, making 6 per cent. in all. A Dividend of 6 per cent. for the same year was also declared on the Company's Ordinary Shares.
DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be ready on the 1st proximo.
THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 28th to the 31st instant, inclusive.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1898. [431

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY,

VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.
SODA WATER.
LEMONADE.
GINGER ALE.
SARSAPARILLA.
RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.
Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and other Large Consumers.
Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. [30

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES & SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on Application.
PORT after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out.
SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are true Xeres Wines.
CLARET.—Our Clarets, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.
BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.
WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brand in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked "K" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1897. 7

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1898.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

A correspondent "A. B. M." writes to us on the subject of the Victoria Recreation Club athletic sports. We do not print his letter, because it is unnecessarily personal. We may point out, however, to him and all others who prefer to see handicaps won by scratch men, that the only object of handicaps is to induce moderate athletes to come forward and do their best to make a good race, with as nearly as possible an equal chance of winning. If the race results in a close finish, everybody should be satisfied, and the handicappers deserve congratulations, for their work is extremely difficult. If, on the other hand, there is throughout a programme an undue proportion of easy wins for one class of runners, whether it be the scratch class or the limit class, then the handicappers require to adjust the allowances accordingly, and anybody interested in the sports is entitled to call attention to the fact.

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That is what our contributor "Pedestrian" did, and if his facts were correctly stated, his inferences were certainly correctly drawn. "A.B.M." protests that "if a scratch man wins after giving 3 yards in 120, he deserves it; he must have deprived himself of many luxuries and pastimes and undergone a good deal of training." It does not follow. The scratch man may be 16 yards in 120 better than his opponent at the 8 mark; and both presumably train and "deprive themselves of luxuries." In that case, it simply means that those men whom Nature has gifted with only a moderate turn of speed will not care to compete when they know they have not a ghost of a chance. Then the sports will fall to fill. The only way to get up a programme is to make the chances as nearly equal as can be gauged.

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Later, another correspondent writes on the same subject, and we publish his letter with pleasure. From what he says, we gather that the finishes last year were very close. In that case, the handicapping must have been good. Our contributor "Pedestrian" thinks there was room for improvement.

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We continually receive from India large consignments of literature, praising the performance of a "world-renowned illusionist," somebody in the conjuring business, who seems to be working his way towards Hongkong and "will esteem it a favour" if we will fill our columns with preliminary puffs, gratis. It will take a really very marvellous magician to work that sort of "black art" on us. The world-renowned illusionist should disillusionise himself on that point.

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We run a paper for two things; (1) as a charity organisation (2) for the good of our health. Between whiles we try to earn something to eat. What goes into a newspaper can be almost all classified absolutely under two heads: (1) news, (2) advertisements. Some of the items printed are a little of both. This conjuring trick is neither. As a news item we inform Hongkong that somebody, whom we don't know, says he is coming here to give conjuring performances; and that the Indian papers praise him. But we go no further than that. For payment at the regular rate we would put in the advertising columns whatever puffs he might wish. But news is news, and business is business. As a matter of news, the puffs he sends us are valueless, for most newspapers at times strain their imagination horribly about entertainments; we only know one in the East that doesn't. So we will believe in the excellence of the show when we see it; we will puff it when he pays; and we will not offer our readers any recommendation as from ourselves, until we can do so honestly of our own knowledge.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

THE CHINESE LOAN.

LONDON, March 22nd.

Subscriptions to the Chinese loan in Berlin largely exceeded the amount required. Nothing has transpired officially about the subscriptions to the London portion of the loan.

THE IRISH LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.

The Irish Local Government Bill has passed its second reading in the House of Commons

OUTRAGE AT CHUNGKING

PARIS, March 17th.

A mob attacked the American Medical Mission premises at Chungking, killed one of the native dispensers and brutally maltreated the others. The building was wrecked.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

FOR unlawfully removing the dead body of a child four men were to-day fined $10 each.

THE reserve fund of the Yokohama Specie Bank, Ltd., has been increased by 300,000 yen, and it now stands at 6,660,000 yen.

THE mortality returns for the week ending March 12th show a death rate of 20·5 per 1,000 and for the week ending March 19th 23·6 per 1,000.

WE regret to hear that Dr. Iu Kai of the Alice Memorial Hospital has died of plague. He was well skilled in Western Medicine and was for a number of years engaged at the Government Civil Hospital. All through the plague outbreak Dr. Kai was on duty at the Tung Wah Hospital.

A PICTURESQUE old boatman, to-day was charged with stealing the anchor of a cargo boat. He said he took it because someone took his. The owner detected him while committing the theft and he cast the anchor overboard and it was lost. The old fellow was sent up for five days.

A SERIOUS accident occurred at the Kowloon Docks yesterday afternoon. A Spanish sailor who was scraping the *San Joaquim* slipped and fell down to the slip on which the steamer was being overhauled. A surgeon of the *Deutschland* very kindly had the sailor removed to his ship where, on examination, it was found that three ribs were broken.

A PRIVATE belonging to the King's Own was charged at the Magistracy to-day with assaulting a boat boy, by kicking him on the mouth. The soldier and some comrades had apparently been sampling some bad whisky, and they had only a hazy recollection of things to-day. The culprit was given a good character and he was fined $10 and ordered to pay $5 compensation to the boy.

A DISSIPATED looking old Chinaman, with a woolly head and an abbreviated queue was to-day sent to gaol for 14 days for assaulting his wife. He struck her because she would not give him money to buy tobacco. Capt. Hastings read the old rascal a lecture and said that if he came before him again he would go to gaol for 3 months. The sentence only elicited a "ho lok" from the prisoner, who seemed to be very grateful.

GERMANY claims to lead all other nations in the matter of cheap postage. City letters are delivered for 2½ cent, Mex, and in Munich a licensed company charges but half that sum. A one-half-ounce letter goes to any part of the empire for 5 cents, and a one-half-pound one for 10 cents. The French postage rate is 6 cents for each one-half ounce. In England the rate is for the first ounce 4 cents; for the second 2 cents, and 2 cents for each additional two ounces.

THE rector of "the little church round the corner" is dead. This was the popular name for the Church of the Transfiguration, New York. An old, well-known, and respected actor, John Holland, died some years ago in New York. The rector of a church in Madison-avenue was asked to perform the funeral service. He refused, and suggested "that they did that sort of thing at a 'little church around the corner.'" To this Joseph Jefferson replied, "God bless the little church around the corner." Holland was buried from that church. The incident obtained wide publicity, and the "little church around the corner" became the best-known place of worship in the country. All actors who die in New York are buried from it. Dr. Houghton was rector of the church for forty-seven years.

THE weary Londoner, driven frantic by the noises of his town, may well think of emigrating to New York for peace and quiet. The chief of the Police there has issued an order calling the attention of his captains to the fact that there are laws in force relative to the cries and noisy sale of wares by pedlars, the blowing upon horns or other instruments, the beating of drums and playing of hand-organs, the nuisance of dogs barking and cocks crowing, and the keeping of parrots and cats that screech or howl as well as health regulations against the tolling of large church bells without a special permit. The burden of complaint does not lie with the sufferers; it is obligatory on the part of the police to see that all such noises are stopped. The curious part of the business is that New York is just about ten times as noisy as London.

A SPECIAL study of hereditary drunkenness has been made by Professor Pellmann, of Bonn University, Germany. His method was to take certain individual cases, a generation or two back. He thus traced the careers of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren in all parts of the present German Empire until he was able to present tabulated biographies of hundreds descended from some original drunkard. Notable among the persons described by Professor Pellmann is Frau Ada Jurke, who was born 1740 and was a drunkard, a thief and a tramp for the last forty years of her life, which ended in 1800. Her descendants numbered 834, of whom 700 were traced in local records from youth to death. One hundred and six of the 700 were born out of wedlock. There were 144 beggars and 62 more who lived from charity. Of the whole 181 led dissipated lives. There were in this family 76 convicts, seven of whom were sentenced for murder. In a period of some seventy-five years this one family rolled up a bill of costs in almshouses, prisons and correctional institutions amounting to at least 5,000,000 marks, or about $1,250,000.

SOME years ago, says a writer in an American magazine, a company made an overland trip through the West. The guide was one Rattlesnake Pete. As the party journeyed they became very thirsty, for in certain parts of Arizona, water is scarce. All day long they journeyed, and animals and men were nigh perishing, when, lo! it was as the guide had foretold—they reached a cooling spring where the water gushed forth from under a great rock. But there was a man there with a rifle in his hands and two pistols in his belt, and this man said he owned the spring. His price for water was a dollar a bucket. So our friends purchased water and drank and gave to the animals. Rattlesnake Pete remarked, as he went away, to the gentleman who owned the water: "Any man who jumps one of God Almighty's springs would sell water to his father in hell!" Some months after, Rattlesnake Pete went back that way with his friend Alkali Smith, and the man at the springs died, and Pete and his friend buried him in the valley down below the spring, and over the grave they heaped a pile of stones; and then they set a stake in the centre of the stones, and on the stake are these words: "The gent under these stones thought the spring were hisn, but he were mistook."

A LECTURE of an interesting nature on "The Sun" was given by Commodore Holland A.D.C., last evening in the Chamber of Commerce under the auspices of the Odd Volumes Society. The chair was occupied by Mr. T. Jackson and there was a fair attendance. The gallant officer dealt with his subject in most capable fashion and kept the attention of his audience throughout, diagrams supplied by Mr. Ordish, Superintendent of the Naval Yard, adding greatly to the interest of the lecture. Mr. Granville Sharp proposed the vote of thanks to the lecturer and took occasion to remark that the Hongkong people were too busy either with money or with land or with buying or selling. They had got so much to do that they did not give a thought to those things about which they had just heard. Very few of them were at all thoroughly up in those things. They did no teach them at school, and for the very good reason that the schoolmasters did not know much about them. (Laughter). Mr. W. Machell, in seconding, assured Mr. Sharp that the schoolmasters of-to-day did know of the things about which they had just heard—(hear, hear,)—and he guaranteed that he, as one of the humblest members of that class, could teach Mr. Sharp more about the sun than he ever knew in his life before, or even had heard that afternoon. (Hear, hear.) Mr. Sharp—I must apologise for my reference to the teachers. (Hear, hear.) My instruction was received at a totally different period—60 years ago. (Hear, hear.) The motion was then carried and the Commodore acknowledged the compliment.

IT is understood that H.M.S. *Barfleur* leaves here for Nagasaki to-morrow morning. The Russian ships *Navarin* and *Sissoi Veliky* left to-day for the same port and it would seem as if the *Barfleur* is sent on their heels.

AT to-day's meeting of the Sanitary Board the the President (Dr. J. M. Atkinson) said there was an impression in many people's minds that several Europeans had been attacked by plague and that two had died from it. As a matter of fact only one European had been attacked and she was recovering.

A CORRESPONDENT, "K. O. L.," informs us that in the football match last Saturday between G. Company and the *Centurion*, Morton was the centre forward of G. Co., not inside right as we stated. For next Saturday's match, with the 25th R. A., the following will be G. Company's team:—

Hollingsworth
Atherton Bunting (captain) Oxley
Sergt. Done Sullivan
C. Sgt. Rogers Lawrence
Morton
Hayton Mount

G. Company won the regimental football shield four years in succession.

IT is announced that the Chinese merchants in Hongkong and Yokohama have entered into a compact not to load their goods in the ships of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha in their transportation between Hongkong and the respective Japan ports, and this agreement has been put into practice commencing with the steamer *Inaba-Maru*, which left Yokohama on the 22nd ult. for London *via* ports. It is reported that the boycott arose from the Nippon Yusen Kaisha disregarding certain Chinese commercial customs at Hongkong on finding that their observance was unremunerative. The Chinese at once took offence and retaliated.—*Rangoon Times*.

SHORTLY after 12 o'clock to-day's a Chinese procession of unusually large dimensions passed along Queen's Road and afforded visitors an interesting glance of the barbarous splendour displayed by devout Chinese. The procession took about twenty minutes to pass and the costumes of the participants were of silk and other stuffs most brightly coloured. The inevitable gongs and drums were in use and about a dozen ponies, ridden by small girls helped to fill up the line. Some very fine silk and gold embroidered flags were borne by the men and in palanquins Chinese women and children rode. The effect was decidedly novel and interesting and the progress of the processionists from Wanchai to West Point attracted large numbers of spectators along the sidewalks. All that could be learned of the reason for the show was that it was a matter of "Chin-chin Joss." To-day is the fête of Hsiuen T'ien Shang-ti, "Supreme Ruler of the Sombre Heavens," and also of Pe Le, "Taoist God of the North Pole," and it is likely that the display was made to placate these deities. We have not heard of any Chinese seeking to emulate Nansen or Andrée, but perhaps it's deemed safe policy to keep on good terms with the "God of the North Pole" as well as with the "Ruler of the Sombre Heavens."

THE SALE OF POISON.

PROPOSED NEW BYLAWS.

Dr. J. M. Atkinson, President of the Sanitary Board, at this afternoon's meeting read a draft of five new bylaws he had drawn up concerning the sale of poisons. Recent circumstances had shown the urgency for such bylaws, he said, and there was great necessity for regulating the sale of poisons. In the ordinances there was only a provision giving the Board power to make regulations for the sale of poisons and unsound and adulterated drugs. About 1¼ per cent of the year's deaths from violence in England were caused by poison. In Bombay the percentage was nearly 1¾ and in Bengal the death rate from poisoning was about 3.80 per annum. In this colony in 1896 five of the total violent deaths were from the same cause, which was 3 per cent and in 1897 it was over 2 per cent. There should be some regulations here where the three principal poisons used were opium, datura and arsenic. He then read the bylaws which were framed on the English Pharmacy Act of 1868. There was no such thing he said, as a registered Chemist or druggist here, and only certain registered firms should be allowed to sell these poisons at all. He did not know how far the power of the Board went, but there was no Statute law in force here on the matter. It was a matter of great public importance and the present was a suitable time to ask the government to pass such bylaws.

Capt. Supt. May said he had asked the Government to make some legal restrictions in the sale of poisons four years ago and nothing was done.

After the bylaws have been circulated to members they are to be forwarded to the Government and submitted to the Attorney General for his opinion.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.]

V.R.C. SPORTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

SIR,—I was much surprised to observe among other remarks *re* Handicaps in "Pedestrian's" communication to your journal on 22nd inst, the following:—

"The limits in the short races require extending, a man of F. H. Kew's calibre being capable of giving much more than 3 yards in 120 for instance; 12 yards at the very least should be given."

To bring specially before the notice of the Handicappers, prior to the meeting, one particular runner savours very much of an attempt to bias them against him. I believe that on the entry forms a competitor has to state all events he has previously won, and this is what guides the handicappers in their work. If competitors with last year's liberal handicaps are not "class" enough for a not extraordinary sprinter like the above Kew (see his times for the various events last year) then the sooner these competitors recognise the fact that they were never built to run, the better for them. But to endeavour to get a competitor enough handicap to ensure his winning is not sport.

The finish is the test of a handicap, and eye-witnesses of last year's handicap races agree that the finishes were as close as they could well be, in some cases a few inches only separating the first second and third.

FAIRPLAY.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1898.

SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon. Dr. Atkinson (Colonial Surgeon) presided, and there were also present Mr. F. H. May (Captain Superintendent of Police), Mr. N. J. Ede, Mr. R. D. Ormsby (Director of Public Works), Dr. F. Clary (Medical Officer of Health) and Mr. Brewin (Acting Registrar General).

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

AN AMBULANCE BOAT.

The Medical Officer of Health submitted a report in which he recommended that a boat, with an ambulance and one attendant be provided for the removal of cases of infectious disease from Kowloon to this side of the harbour.

In a minute on the paper Mr. Ede expressed himself in favour of the plan, but he thought the military authorities should look after their own cases and provide proper accommodation for them.

The Director of Public Works, in his minute, said he thought the hiring of a sampan would suffice.

The Capt. Supt. of Police was in favour of getting the boat.

It was decided that the boat be purchased.

DISPOSAL OF CITY REFUSE.

A report was received from Mr. J. R. Crook regarding the destruction of city refuse. He stated as the result of his investigations that if a nuisance could not be avoided in disposing of the stuff he thought a destructor should be procured. This would be the more expensive plan but it certainly would be the most satisfactory. Mr Crook said he would be returning to England and offered the Board his services if needed. Mr Ede minuted the report saying the suggestion was a very good one and that Mr. Crook should make enquiries for the Board at home.

The Medical Officer of Health thought that Mr. Crook should be commissioned by the Government to enquire into the subject in England.

The Capt. Superintendent of Police expressed a similar view.

On the motion of the President it was decided to ask for permission for Mr. Crook to act for the Board in England.

DISEASE IN CATTLE.

Mr. C. V. Ladds, the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, wrote suggesting that the Board issue a notice to cow keepers to divide their herds as much as possible, so as to make the matter of dealing with infectious disease more easy and efficacious.

The Director of Public Works wrote a minute favouring the suggestion.

The Capt. Superintendent of Police thought it would suffice to write to the dairy owners.

The Board agreed that the dairy owners be written to in the sense of Mr. Ladds' letter.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE.

Dr. Clark and Mr. Ladds reported that there had been no decrease in the number of cases of foot and mouth disease imported in the week and the position on the 16th was generally the same as on the 9th inst.

The report on the 23rd stated that cases of the disease continued to come in from the mainland but that the numbers were lessening.

BOMBAY PLAGUE RETURN.

From the 1st March to the 15th there were 2615 cases of plague in Bombay and 2491 deaths.

THE P.W.D. AND PRIVATE DRAINAGE.

A report was received from the Director of Public Works in regard to an application for the Department to do some drainage work at the Tung Wa Hospital. Mr. Ormsby wrote that the Department was so busy too do the work and he was not in favour of Government interfering with private enterprise. The notification that the Department would carry out drainage work on private property was issued on Sept. 4, 1895.

In his minute Mr. Brewin, Acting Registrar-General, said he agreed with the expression of the C. S. P., that he did not think the notification should be annulled without full consideration. Further particulars were also desired as to the monthly average of private work done by the Department.

On the matter being called on Mr. Ormsby said he questioned if this was a matter to come before the Board. The letter had come to the Board by mistake as it was solely a matter between himself and the Government.

The President said he regretted very much that the matter had appeared in the agenda as it was purely a subject for the P.W.D.

After a little discussion as to the powers of the board in drainage matters it was decided to treat the matter confidentially.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Board adjourned for a fortnight.

THE SECOND MRS. TANQUERAY.

It is becoming unnecessary to say anything in eulogy of the Broughs; there has never been their equal in the East, and they have captured Hongkong completely, taken it by storm, and we are theirs. The community even ceases to murmur at the charge of $3 for the stalls. That shows how overwhelming is their triumph. Many who have attended their performances would give $5 for a seat if necessary; and almost every evening, as some fresh piece is concluded, the audience comes out of the theatre saying "Hope they'll give this again!"

"The Second Mrs. Tanqueray" is an extremely emotional problem-play, ending in suicides and hysterics. And with the tragedy of the plot is interwoven a bitter, fierce flippancy born of morbid cynicism. Like all great plays—for, though censured severely as well as admired immensely, "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray" is undoubtedly great—it has a wonderfully simple plot. Tanqueray, a widower with a grown-up daughter, takes as his second wife a *hetaira*, an Aspasia; a beautiful, talented, accomplished, and exceptionally high-strung woman of the class defined by a Chief Justice of Hongkong as "making a living by being more than friendly to men." She and Tanqueray both know, before marrying, that the penalty would be social ostracism, and difficulty about the daughter's prospects; but they elect to face it. Then when it comes, they find it too much. That is all. It is as simple as a Shakespearean plot; and it affords scope for magnificent acting. As a problem, it amounts to this—that the injustice of punishing a woman for faults which are nothing in a man, is chiefly the doing of the women themselves—the "women who didn't." But the lesson is driven home with almost brutal force. It was Mrs. Brough's night entirely, and she was at her very best. The others all played up well, even the dozen words allotted to Mr. Shiles being a little gem. And the miniature band, consisting of a few *Olympia* boys under the able direction of Mr. W. Robinson, R.A.M., was also very good indeed. The City Hall was crowded as full as it would hold, and will probably continue so night after night even if the Broughs decide to settle in Hongkong for life.

NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The Eastern and Australian Co.'s steamship *Guthrie*, Capt. H. Craig, from Sydney and ports, arrived in harbour yesterday. For the subjoined telegrams we are indebted to our Colonial exchanges:—

ADELAIDE, March 10th.

Captain J. Bradshaw presided at a meeting held in Melbourne of those interested in the Northern Territory. In opening the meeting he declared that £2,000,000 of Melbourne money had been invested in the Territory.

The speakers advocated the construction of a land-grant railway, the subsidising of freezing-works for the meat trade in the Territory, a floating wharf for Port Darwin, and giving pastoral lessees the right to purchase freehold on their runs.

Mr. Holder stated that Parliament would be ready to deal liberally with any *bona fide* railway scheme, and a freezing works subsidy would be readily forthcoming.

Nesbit, Queen's Counsel, has been committed to the Parkside Asylum, owing to further eccentricities.

One hundred and fifty five thousand pounds have been paid to Adelaide Institutions from the late Elder's bequests.

Two hundred diggers have sailed from Sydney for Klondyke.

The Melbourne ring lost a hundred thousand pounds over the Autumn race meeting.

The proposal to send an Australian Eleven to England next year caused rancorous discussion amongst members of the Victorian Cricketers Association.

Lord and Lady Brassey are visiting Western Australia.

American officials are visiting England and France, it is said, for the purpose of purchasing warships.

England is building twelve battleships, thirty-two cruisers and forty torpedo boats.

China has guaranteed to pay the war indemnity to Japan by May.

London *Times* reports sensational demands having been made by Russia and France upon China, which have greatly excited Japan.

THE "MAINE" DISASTER.

HAVANA, 19th February.

Captain Sigsbee, of the battleship *Maine*, in an interview to-day, with the correspondent of the Associated Press, described the explosion in detail. He said: "On the night of the explosion I had not retired. I was writing letters. I find it impossible to describe the sound or shock, but the impression remains of something awe-inspiring, terrifying, of noise, rending, vibrating, all-prevading. There is nothing in the former experience of anyone on board to measure the explosion. After the first great shock I cannot myself recall how many sharp detonations I heard—not more than two or three. I knew my ship was gone. In such a structure as the *Maine*, the effects of such an explosion are not for a moment in doubt. I made my way through the long passage in the dark, groping from side to side, to the hatchway and thence to the poop, being among the earliest to reach the spot. As soon as I recognised the officers, I ordered the high explosives to be flooded, and I then directed that the boats available be lowered to rescue the wounded or drowning. Discipline, in a perfect measure, prevailed. There was no more confusion than a call to quarters would produce, if as much. I soon saw, by the light of the flames, that all my officers and crew left alive on board surrounded me. I cannot form any idea of the time, but it seemed five minutes from the time I reached the poop until I left, the last man it was possible to reach having been saved. It must have been three-quarters of an hour or more, however, from the amount of work done. The officers and men worked together lowering the boats, and the gig took some time to lower. I did not notice the rain of debris described by Lieutenant Blandin and others, who were on deck at the time of the first explosion. But I did observe the explosion of the fixed ammunition, and wonder that more were not hurt thereby. Without going beyond the limits of what was proper in the harbour of a friendly Power, I always maintain precautions against attack, and the quarter-watch was ordered to have ammunition for the smaller guns ready to hand, so that, in the improbable event of an attack on the ship, it would have been found ready. It was this ammunition which exploded as the heat reached it."

The passengers on the incoming steamers crowd the upper decks for a view of the wreck of the ill-fated battleship, and the sight is ghastly enough, when reached, to satisfy all who are desirous of witnessing horrors. It is known that Lieutenant Jenkins, who is among the missing, was alive after the explosion, as the coloured mess-attendant, now at Key West, met him running forward. He evidently thought, in the amazed confusion, that the *Maine* had been fired on, and he was rushing to the forecastle, where was located the six-inch gun of which he was in charge.

MADRID, February 19th.

A despatch received to-day from Rear-Admiral Manterc, the Commander of Havana, says that proofs exist in the facts that no dead fish came to the surface after the explosion that wrecked the *Maine*, and that, when the disaster occured, there was not the slightest upheaval of the water, that the explosion was not submarine.

HAVANA, February 23rd.

The situation, which may be changed at any moment by fresh discoveries, may be summed up, when this despatch is sent this afternoon, in substance, as follows: The divers have discovered cases of brown hexagonal powder, for the 10-inch guns, unexploded, and believing also that others unexploded will be found in the 10-inch magazine on the starboard side, forward, the conviction grows that this magazine did not blow up. If this be so, and many have insisted from the first that it is, the further conviction is forced that the explosion which wrecked the *Maine* came from the outside on the port bows. As previously wired, the main portion of the wreck, as seen from above, and noted from below, was blown to starboard.

The highest American officials here are confident that General Blanco and the other high Spanish officials had no knowledge direct or indirect of the conception or the execution of a plot to blow up the *Maine*, if such a plot existed, but they believe that the junior Spanish officers, who, from the nature of things, are more conversant with modern explosives than their elders and superiors, were at the bottom of the disaster, if there was any outside agency. It is pointed out that it would not be impossible to plant a mine of wet and dry gun-cotton near where a foreign war vessel was directed to anchor, such a mine communicating with an electric battery on shore. It is regarded as an interesting point that the *Maine* for the first time during her stay in the harbour, lay at the particular spot where she was at the time of the catastrophe.

WASHINGTON, 24th February.

Rumours of startling discoveries in the wreck of the *Maine* were less frequent, but there were enough of them still afloat to-day to warrant Secretary Long in making this statement to the newspaper men as he left his office: "Summing up the situation, I would say that the Navy Department knows to-day nothing more about the cause of the disaster than it did five minutes after the receipt of the first despatch from Captain Sigsbee."

NEWS BY THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. R. Co.'s steamship *Empress of China*, Capt. H. Pybus, from Vancouver and ports, arrived in harbour yesterday. For the subjoined telegrams we are indebted to our Canadian exchanges:—

A STARTLING ON DIT.

LONDON, February 21st.

The *Daily Telegraph* to-day makes a comment on a story from Brussels, to the effect that that the French Government's jealously guarded secret in the Dreyfus affair is that a secret agreement existed between Russia and Germany, by which the former undertook to furnish Germany with all information regarding the French military arrangements, while Germany was to supply similar information concerning another power, presumably Austria. Dreyfus became aware of this agreement, and traded upon it.

THE SUGAR QUESTION.

LONDON, February 22nd.

The *Post* says that Belgium has decided to postpone the International Sugar Conference indefinitely, owing to the want of unanimity among the beet-growing Powers. The paper adds that Great Britain will probably lose no time in inviting a conference at London, where the difficulties that have occurred at Brussels are not likely to arise.

THE WORLD'S BATTLE-SHIP MART.

LONDON, February 22nd.

Six armoured vessels, six protected cruisers, thirteen torpedo-boat destroyers, and five torpedo-boats, are now building in Great Britain for foreign governments, of which a number are purchasable, although Japan is supposed to have the option on several of them. These warships which have been ordered for South American governments are considered as being for sale to the highest bidders. Messrs. Thomson Brothers say that Spain had arranged to man the two remaining torpedo-boat destroyers of the four completed some time ago on the Clyde, but they were not delivered, presumably owing to lack of payment.

CHINESE TRADE CONCESSIONS.

LONDON, February 23nd.

The Foreign Office has issued the following statement:—

The following are the arrangements in the interests of British trade which have been agreed to by the Chinese Government on the representations of Sir Claude Macdonald, the British Minister to Peking.

"The internal highways of China are to be opened to British and other steamers in the course of June next. Thus, wherever the use of native boats is now permitted by the treaty, foreigners will be equally allowed to employ steamers or steam launches, whether owned by them or by the Chinese. In view of the great importance attached by Great Britain to the retention of the Yangtze-kiang region in her Chinese possessions, the Chinese Government has formally intimated to the British Government that there can be no question of the territory in the valley or region of the Yangtsze-kiang being mortgaged, leased, or ceded to any Power. The post of Inspector-General of Maritime Customs, in the future, as in the past, shall be held by a British subject, so long as British trade at the ports of China continues to exceed that of any other Power. A port will be opened in the Province of Hu-nan within two years."

THE SECURITY FOR THE CHINESE LOAN.

LONDON, February 22nd.

The officials of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank confirm the report regarding the Chinese loan. The security pledged, and international security in the shape of new ports to be opened, the port dues of which would be pledged, as also would certain industrial and mining concessions, as security for the loan, which would not have been concluded, had not Germany insisted, in order to prevent Russia from obtaining it.

THE WRECK OF THE "ASIA."

BOSTON, Mass., February 22nd.

There is scarcely a doubt now that the British vessel *Asia*, from Manila for Vine-yard-Haven, Mass., was wrecked somewhere in the vicinity of Nantucket Shoals during the gales of the past few days, and that her entire crew of 20 men have perished. This conclusion is not only borne out by the wrecking, consisting of the stern of a boat, with *Asia* painted on it, and yards and other materials which were cast ashore by the sea at Nonomey. Captain Haley, of this City, telephones from Woodshole this evening that, while the tug-boat E. V. McCauley was steaming out to the barge *Excelsior*, which lies sunk on Handkerchief Shoals, he saw evidence of the wreck of a large square-rigged vessel, and recovered two bodies from a portion of a dismantled hull. Captain Haley stated that, while near Handkerchief lightship, the tug passed through a large amount of wreckage, including bales of hemp, broken spars, and broken ship's timbers. Drifting in the midst of this mass was a portion of the wreck, to which two bodies were lashed. It was discovered that the bodies were those of a man and a little girl, apparently ten or twelve years of age. They were fast in the mizzen-chains. The man, judging from a master's certificate found on the clothing of the body, was John Cook, and the year of his birth 1843. The little girl bore a striking resemblance to the man. Mr. Herbert Hale, of the firm of the Messrs. John C. Hale & Company, of this city, the agents of the *Asia*, was notified to-night, and immediately placed himself in communication with the owners of the vessel, Messrs. Taylor Brothers, of St. John, N.B.

THE GERMAN REICHSTAG.

BERLIN, 22nd February.

The Army estimates were discussed in the Reichstag to-day. Herr Bebel, the Socialist, argued against a large army, and General von Gossler, the Minister for War, accused him of appealing to revolution, and, therefore, of being a national enemy. "Should these Socialist enemies," said General von Gossler, some day proceed to action we would advance against them with the same *sang froid* as we would against a foreign foe."

THE "TIMES" ON THE DEVELOPMENTS.

LONDON, 23rd February.

After congratulating Lord Salisbury upon the successful results of British diplomacy in China the *Times* points to the "peculiar wording of the statement as to the inland water-ways of China." It says: "If limited to where we, by treaty, are permitted to charter native boats, it would include the short section of the Yang-Tse-Kiang between Ye-Hang and Chunking, where there are difficult and dangerous rapids. We can scarcely suppose, however, that the concession is so limited."

THE TIRAH EPEDITION.

SIR W. LOCKHART'S DESPATCHES.

General Sir William Lockhart's despatches are published on the Tirah expedition from the 1st of November to the 26th of December. They are very lengthy.

Referring to the late Sir Havelock Allan's death General Lockhart says every precaution was taken for his safety. "I impressed on him the necessity of always remaining with the troops detailed for his protection."

Alluding to the late General Yeatman Biggs: General Lockhart says "the deceased officer's health was bad from the outset but his indomitable spirit carried him through. I wished him to return from Samana and Kurppa but the responsible Medical Officer declared him fit to remain, a decision which gratified him but which I could not agree with."

Among numerous officers mentioned are;—Generals Nicholson, Gaselee, Palmer, Symons, Westmacott, Hart, Hill and Hammond. (These names are given in the order of praise which is bestowed by General Lockhart.)

Among others are:—Generals Broadbent, Lord Methuen, Spragg, Thompson, Medical officers Colonels Barrow, Scott, Christopher, Dixon, Abbott, Travers, Haughton, Holdich, Anderson, More-Molyneux, and Balle.

Special mention is made of work done by the Ghurkha scouts, the Medical Dept; the Transport and others.

In a covering letter Sir George White says:—No campaign on the frontier has been conducted under more trying and arduous circumstances than those encountered by the Tirah expeditionary force. The operations have been carried out in a country destitute of roads, physical configurations which were such as to present a maximum of difficulty to the movement of regular troops. The enemy for the most part were skilled marksmen; exceptionally active and well armed; expert in guerilla tactics; while avoiding serious resistance to the advance of our troops they lost no opportunity in harassing both in the march and bivouac. Their system of fighting admirably suited the nature of the country which necessarily occasioned us considerable loss not only in action but also from toil and exposure. In spite of these difficulties a severe punishment has been meted out to the tribes concerned. During the operations the fighting qualities and endurance of our troops have been highly tested and with no small sense of gratification and pride the Commander-in Chief brings to the notice of the Government of India the soldierly conduct and discipline of the troops amid all the hardships and exposure which fell to them, both the officers and men having in action and bivouac conducted themselves in a manner thoroughly befitting the traditions of Her Majesty's Army. His Excellency deplores the loss to the Army of many brave officers and men who died performing their duty; among them were the late General Yeatman-Biggs, Colonel J. Haughton and others whose careeers were so full of promise. The Commander-in-Chief specially commends for favourable notice to Government the distinguished officer selected to command the expedition who exercised an exceptionally difficult and responsible command with much skill, vigour and judgment. He takes this opportunity of expressing his own acknowledgments to General Sir William Lockhart for the able manner he directed the operation of the force under his command.

After endorsing praise bestowed on Generals Palmer, Symons, Nicholson and others Sir George White brings to notice the excellent work done by the Staff at Army Head Quarters, and bestows the highest praise on Generals Morton Badcock, Wace and Hobday; Colonel Duff, Major Mullaly, Surgeon General Gore, Veterinary Colonel Thompson, Mr. Reynolds, Telegraph, Colonel Brackenbury and Mr. Jacob, North West Railway. Nearly 200 officers are mentioned by General Lockheart including those in the various brigades.

The viceroy in ordering the publication of General Lockhart's despatch concurs with Sir George White in his expressions on the able conduct by the former and tenders the cordial congratulations and thanks of the Government of India to all concerned. He also acknowledges the services rendered by the officers of the Staff at Army Head Quarters and other departments named.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

(From *Rangoon Times*)

JUBILATION IN ITALY.

LONDON, March 5th.

The whole of Italy is celebrating the Jubilee of the Promulgation of the Constitution. King Humbert replying to the addresses dwelt upon the accomplishment of Italian unity and declared Rome inviolable.

DISTURBANCE IN SIERRA LEONE.

Further news states that fighting has taken place in the Sierra Leone hinterland between the natives and the Police under Major Tarbet; all trade with the coast is stopped.

THE PLAGUE.

BOMBAY, March 5th.

Yesterday there were 172 cases and 202 deaths from the plague. From all causes 434. The plague in Poona has quite died out.

THE RACIAL WAR IN AUSTRIA.

The Australian Ministry, finding themselves unable to cope with the racial constitutional imbroglios, have resigned and Count Thum has been appointed Premier.

THE PLAGUE.

BOMBAY, March 7th.

During the forty-eight hours ending yesterday morning there were 356 cases of plague and 378 deaths and from all causes 623 deaths.

Another attack was made on Saturday on a plague search party here.

It is stated the native cloth merchants in Bombay intend to entirely close their shops this week by way of protesting against the quarantine rules and the system of house-to-house visitation by European soldiers, as also the introduction of the new system of death registration, which is calculated to wound the religious susceptibilities of the Hindoo community. It is probable the Mahommedan shopkeepers also will join the movement.

THE MEKRAN REBELS.

LONDON, March 7th.

Reuter wires from Teheran that the Governor of the province of Kerman drove the rebels out of the forts at Geh and Fanoch, and that the murderers of the late Mr. Greaves fled to the hills where they will be attacked.

THE MILE CAMPAIGN.

Sirdar Kitchener's head-quarters are at Berber; he holds strong positions from Berber to Atbara.

Osman Digna has advanced to within 40 miles north of Shendy.

THE RISING IN MEKRAN.

CALCUTTA, March 7th.

Captain Knox reports from Giah that at a durbar held there all the principal chiefs of Maud were represented and were most submissive. Beluchistan troubles are now, therefore, hoped to have ended.

REMOVAL OF A COMMANDING OFFICER.

CALCUTTA, March 8th.

It is understood a telegram has been received from India announcing the Horse Guards have removed Lieutenant-Colonel Chaytor from the command of the Northamptonshire Regiment. This is evidently the result of the recent court of enquiry held on the handling of the said regiment on recent frontier operations.

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

MARCH.

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1895.

Barometer	30.059
Thermometer	62.0
Humidity	85.0
Rainfall	4.08

TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.

	On data at 10 a.m.	On data at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.13	30.01
Thermometer	69	68
Humidity	69	76
Rainfall		

TO-DAY.

Thursday, 24th March, 1898.

Chinese—*3rd of 3rd moon of 24th year of Kwong-sü.*

Fête of Hiuen T'ien Shang-ti, supreme ruler of the Sombre Heavens, and of Peh-te, Taoist god of the North Pole.

Jewish—*1st Nisan, 5658.*

Mohammedan—*1st Dulkaada, 1315.*

Sun—*Rises* *6hr. 59min.*
Sets *6hr. 2min.*

High water—*Morning* *10hr. 2min.*
Afternoon *11hr. 0min.*

Low water—*Morning* *5hr. 42min.*
Afternoon *4hr. 14min.*

ANNIVERSARIES.

1603—Queen Elizabeth died.
1842—First number of the *Friend of China* and *Hongkong Gazette* issued.
1876—The s.s. *Pelican* pirated near Cholon; 10 persons murdered.
1889—Fire at Ichang; between 600 and 700 houses destroyed.
1891—The first section of Manila-Dagupan Railway opened.
1895—Attempted assassination of Li Hung-chang at Shimonoseki.
1897—Four-hundred Armenians massacred at Tokat.

TO-MORROW.

Friday, 25th March, 1898.

(Annunciation V. Mary. Lady Day. Quarter Day.)

Chinese—*4th of 3rd moon of 24th year of Kwong-sü.*

Jewish—*2nd Nisan, 5658.*

Mohammedan—*2nd Dulkaada, 1315.*

Sun—*Rises* *5hr. 58min.*
Sets *6hr. 2min.*

High water—*Morning* *10hr. 26min.*
Afternoon *11hr. 41min.*

Low water—*Morning* *4hr. 8min.*
Afternoon *4hr. 56min.*

ANNIVERSARIES.

1839—The foreign merchants of Canton signed bonds promising not to deal in opium.
1874—Great flood at Foochow; great damage and much loss of life.
1879—Outrage on native Christians at Yikhan, Fuhkien.
1896—Armed attack on a boat at Yaumati.
1897—The Hall of the Union Church, Hongkong, opened.

MEMORANDA.

TO-DAY,—24th March.

9 p.m.—Performance of "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray" by the Brough Company.

TO-MORROW,—25th March.

9 p.m.—Performance of "The Passport" by the Brough Company.

SATURDAY,—26th March.

11 a.m.—French mail closes.
Noon.—*Oceanen* leaves for Europe.
4.30 p.m.—Final tie for the Football Challenge Shield at Happy Valley between 25th Co., S.D., R.A., and G. Co., K. O. R.
9 p.m.—Performance of "The Passport" by the Brough Company.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE:

American (*Gaelic*) 27th inst.
French (*Salazie*) 27th inst.
Australian (*Yamashiro Maru*) 27th inst.
American (*City of Peking*) 30th inst.
American (*Doric*) 9th prox.
Tacoma (*Tacoma*) 11th prox.

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THE N. P. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Argyll* sailed from Portland for Japan and Hongkong on the 21st inst.

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THE O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Gaelic*, with mails, etc., left Shanghai for this port at 11 p.m. yesterday, the 23rd inst.

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THE O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Belgic*, with mails, etc., which left hence February 22nd for San Francisco *via* Amoy, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu, arrived at her destination on the 22nd inst.

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THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamer *Empress of Japan*, arrived at Kobe at midnight on Tuesday, the 22nd, and left at noon yesterday, the 23rd, for Yokohama, where she is due to arrive at 11 a.m. to-day, the 24th inst.

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SHIPPING RETURNS.

From 6 p.m. yesterday to 6 p.m. to-day.

ARRIVALS.

Guthrie	steamer,	from	Sydney
Tai Fu	"	"	Dunkirk
Triton	"	"	Saigon
Freja	"	"	Pakhoi
Activ	"	"	Singapore
Pronto	"	"	Saigon
Aparrado	"	"	Saigon
Hailoong	"	"	Tamsui
Mogul	"	"	Portland

Aggregating 8,804 tons register.

DEPARTURES.

Progress	steamer,	for	Kobe
Kwangtse	"	"	Shanghai
Andalusia	"	"	Shanghai
Yatson	"	"	Swatow
Oolong	"	"	Shanghai
Manila	"	"	Shanghai
Hupeh	"	"	Bangkok
Oslo	"	"	Saigon
Wally	"	"	Yokohama
Telartos	"	"	Vladivostock
P. C. Kiao	"	"	Bangkok
Genista	ship	"	Manila
Stssol Velky	battleship	"	Nagasaki
Novarin	"	"	Nagasaki

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HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS

Butuan	at	Kowloon	Dock
Proposito	"	"	"
Dschland (H.I.G.M.S.)	"	"	"
Sishan	"	"	"
Lahn	"	"	"
K. Augusta (H.I.G.M.S.)	"	"	"
San Joaquim	"	"	"
Tordenskjold	"	"	"
Wivern (H.M.S.)	"	"	"
Coptic	"	Cosmopolitan	"

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

(*From our own Correspondent.*)

Sandakan, March 16th.

It is reported that H.M.S. *Swift* will soon be here, and her men will land and take charge of the place while the Sikhs under Capt. Reddie will start a fresh expedition on Mahomed Salih. It is said that they will not return until they big him this time.

India-rubber is the latest new industrial undertaking here. One company, said to be possessed of large resources, has begun work on the Benguya river, and a good many seedlings have been seen passing through here for the Kina Batangan. Rubber-planting is also being spoken of in one or two other places.

The race meeting will be held on 3rd June and the programme has been approved by the Turf Club. Up to the present time the China Pony Cup has not been filled, but five mokes which were brought by the *Memnon* were all sold, and if another consignment is received perhaps we can manage it.

There are plenty of orders in hand for timber but these is a serious impediment in the supply of labour which prevents us from loading a third steamer for Hongkong.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1898. [3-1 426

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, SOUTHAMPTON AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"KANAGAWA MARU,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 5 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 30th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company and sent in to This Office within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognised.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1898. [3-1 429

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Undersigned before Noon on the 25th instant, *or they will not be recognised.*

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 25th instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SANDER & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1898. [1-w 213

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

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FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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From London, &c., *ex* S.S. *Australia* and *Shannon*.

From Gwadal, *ex* S.S. *Kilma*.

From Calcutta, *ex* S.S. *Palawan*.

From Persian Gulf, *ex* S.S. *Patna* and *Kilma*.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 25th March at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 19th March 1898 [1-w 5

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBRO, LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th instant at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1898. [423

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 29th March or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, the 29th March.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 29th instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 P.M. TO-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1898. [1-w 424

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"MANILA,"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, AND STRAITS.

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Goods not cleared by the 28th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
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Hongkong, 22nd March, 1898. [1-w

Intimations.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
KANAGAWA MARU..... J. Mackenzie	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 25th March, at Noon
*YAMASHIRO MARU J. Jones	NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 29th March, at 4 P.M.
TOKIO MARU..... E. W. Haswell	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	FRIDAY, 1st April, at 4 P.M.
KAWACHI MARU J. S. Thompson.....	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	THURSDAY, 7th April, at 4 P.M.
MATSUYAMA MARU..... J. Nitel	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	THURSDAY, 14th April, at 4 P.M.
TAMBA MARU H. Barnes	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE (Transhipping Cargo for JAVA PORTS), PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	THURSDAY, 28th April, at 4 P.M.

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Hongkong, 23rd March, 1898. [6

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Hongkong, 19th March, 1898. [388

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Captain Bennet, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at NOON.
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Hongkong, 23rd March, 1898. [425

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR KUDAT AND SANDAKAN.
THE Company's Steamship
"MEMNON,"
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Hongkong, 22nd March, 1898. [418

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Captain Bailey will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 26th March.
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Hongkong, 21st March, 1898. [63

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Captain Gregory, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 2nd prox.
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Hongkong, 17th March, 1898. [403

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Hongkong, 21th March, 1898. [5

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Sachsen	Wednesday	9th Nov.
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Prinz Heinrich ...	Wednesday	4th Jan. '99.

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1898. [515

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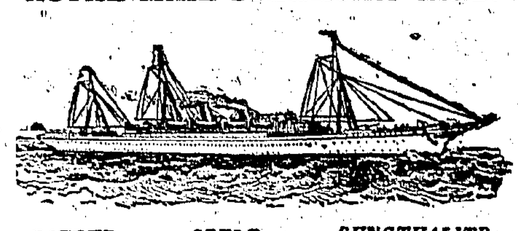
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Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Tuesday, 19th April, at Noon.
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China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea Yokohama and Honolulu Saturday, 30th April, at Noon.
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